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An Important Decision—Will

Give the Old Soldiers

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The Naval Gun-Plant—The Nomination

of Whitelaw Reid Confirmed—

Ward for Washington.

Governor Ross of New Mexico—John C.

New and Fred Grant—The Fight

for the General Land-Office.

An Important Inter-State Commerce

Decision.

Washington, March 25.—The Inter-

State Commerce Commission Saturday,

in an opinion by Commissioner Schoon-

maker, decided the case of the Imperial

Coal Company and others against the

Pittsburgh and Lake Erie Railroad Com-

pany and others. The points are as

follows: The rate on transportation of

coal to points on Lake Erie have been

grouped since April 1, 1887, for a con-

siderable district in Western Pennsylvania,

which Pittsburgh is the center. The

district has a radius of forty miles around

Pittsburgh. The group rate on coal is

twenty cents a ton from all the mines and

by all the lines of railroad that carry

the coal. The coal from the Pittsburgh

district is in competition at the lake with

coal from the Hocking Valley district in

Ohio, where the coal rate is also grouped

at eighty-five cents a ton. The com-

plaintants' mines are near the center of

the Pittsburgh district, and some mines

within the radius are near the lake and

others more distant, varying from a

few miles to forty-three. On complaint

under certification against the com-

plaintants and under reference to the

more distant mines, field, that a group

rate to put producers of coal of the same

general character and of practically like

cost of production in a given territory on

a footing of equality in reaching a com-

mon market among themselves and with

competitors from another territory, is

not unlawful, unless it results in actual

unlawful prejudice to producers nearest the

market. The question of undue prejudice

is one of fact, to be determined upon all

the evidence, including the character of

the mines, the quality of the coal, the ex-

pense of production, the extent and na-

ture of the competition, the public inter-

ests arising from the use of the com-

modity, and not solely by the fact of dis-

tance; that, on the facts of this case,

the discrimination between the complain-

ants' mines and the more distant mines in

respect to lake shipments, if it does not

appear that the complainants are subject

to undue prejudice, it does not constitute

an unlawful discrimination. The court

affirmed the order of the commission.

Will Give the Old Soldiers an Inning.

Washington, March 25.—Corporal Tan-

nor, the newly appointed Commissioner

of Pensions, who asked what policy he

would pursue in dealing with the aging

soldiers, said: "I will give them an in-

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who has performed that duty, since 1841,

for all the appointments of the Department

of the Postmaster-General.

Mr. Lawrence celebrated his eighty-

sixth birthday Saturday.

He has been in the service of the

Postmaster-General for twenty years.

Proposed Western Trip of the Pacific

Railroad Committee.

WASHINGTON, March 25.—The departure

of the Senate special committee on Pa-

cific railroads for the West may be de-

layed by the action of the committee on

April 1. Senator Frye is experiencing

some difficulty in persuading a quorum

of the committee to go West on the trip

of inspection. Senator Hise is opposed

to the trip. It is thought the committee

will not start until the middle of April

at the latest.

Will Be Forced to Resign or Be Removed.

WASHINGTON, March 25.—The reluctance

of Governor Ross of New Mexico to

resign, has induced some of his New

Mexican opponents to adopt measures

for ousting him from office. His term

will expire on April 20, 1891. But

there is no disposition on the part of

the New Mexican Republicans to allow

him to remain in office until that time

and charges will be preferred against

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What the Purchaser of an Unclaimed

Trunk at an Express Company's

Sale Discovers.

BUFFALO, N. Y., March 24.—At the

American Express Company's sale of un-

claimed property on Tuesday a trunk was

sold for fifty cents. On opening it, the

purchaser discovered a large number of

letters and among them notes aggregat-

ing \$800 in value. Two of the notes were

outstanding just three days, and a small

amount and the other for \$225. The oth-

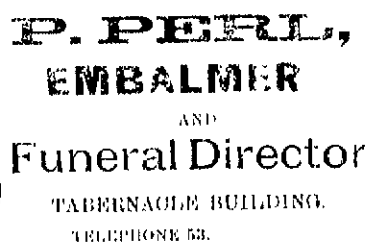
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